



A moment to reflect, remember

Soldiers with the 173d Airborne Brigade Combat Team, bow their heads during a collective moment of silence for the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. (Photo by Spc. Justin Nieto, SETAF Public Affairs)



A community remembers

Soldiers, civilians of SETAF reflect on the events of Sept. 11

Story and photos by Spc. Justin Nieto
SETAF Public Affairs

Five years ago, on Sept. 11, 2001 America was changed forever when hijacked planes were used as weapons against innocents and led to the deaths of near 3,000 people that day.

Five years later, America is leading the War on Terror, yet on Sept. 11 of every year since, people pause to look back on the horrific events of that day and to honor those who passed.

The Soldiers and civilians of the Southern European Task Force were no different as they, too, stopped to remember that day with a memorial and wreath-laying ceremony.

"It was a day that changed the way we will live for the rest of our lives," said Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick, SETAF commanding general, addressing the crowd gathered at the Fallen Warrior Memorial Park. "This is a day of remembrance; we are here to honor the memories of those we lost on that terrible day, and nearly every day since as we fight the Global War on Terror – and it is truly a global war.

"We can all remember where we were at 8:46 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on September 11, 2001, and we must never forget that feeling we all shared that day," continued Helmick. "The events of that terrible day ignited a nation. It made

many seemingly average citizens of many nations stand up and join the fight that was soon to come; a fight against an enemy who is ruthless both in word and in deed."

The large crowd, which included Italian firefighters, police and numerous Italian post workers, listened as Helmick recalled the events of that day.

"Immediately following the initial attacks and while subsequent targets were hit, in New York and Washington D.C., the brave men and women from emergency response police, fire and paramedical organizations responded to the call of distress," continued Helmick. "They intervened courageously, saving hundreds of lives, and many lost their own lives while trying to save others. They are among the fallen equally honored today."

The ceremony featured a wreath laid at the base of the Fallen Warrior Memorial; which is statue erected in honor of those who lost their lives in the Global War on Terror in the days after Sept. 11, 2001.

"The Global War on Terror has touched us all. On this memorial there are 27 inscribed names – officers, noncommissioned officers and Soldiers alike," said Helmick. "These brave men and women gave their lives in an effort to make a better future for the Iraqi and Afghan people; a future filled with hope and promise."

Helmick also pointed out the contributions of our Italian allies in the war on terror.

"Our Italian allies have also paid a price to defeat the threat as well," he said. "As 32 soldiers of the Italian Army and Carabinieri, lost their lives fighting in Iraq and in Afghanistan. Their sacrifice and bravery have contributed greatly to the effort to rid the world of violent acts of terrorism."

"To these Italian military soldiers and Carabinieri we say, 'Thank you'," continued Helmick, who also commented that Sept. 11 brought the world together in a combined effort to end terrorism. "Your partnership, support and professionalism are vital for the continued success in this global effort."

Helmick closed by thanking the people attending

for their continuing support of the troops and the Soldiers for all their hard work. "I thank our many Italian friends. God bless our nations, our militaries and our Soldiers."



An Alpino bugler plays Taps during the Sept. 11 memorial ceremony at the Fallen Warrior Memorial Park.



Maj. Gen. Frank Helmick, SETAF commander (left), Piero Mattei, Prefect of Vicenza (center) and Sgt. Maj. Troy Nattress, SETAF sergeant major, place a wreath at the base of the SETAF Fallen Warrior Memorial during a Sept. 11 ceremony.

MWR extends facilities hours

MWR Marketing
Press Release

Effective immediately, the following Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities will change their business hours to better serve our customers:

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Bldg. 249, 634-7453 or 0444-71-7453 from off post.

Mon.-Wed., Fri. and Sat: Noon-8 p.m.; Thur.: 2-7 p.m.; Sun.: Noon-6 p.m.; and U.S. holidays: 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation can plan a trip to meet your needs and budget including activities such as scuba, climbing, hiking, biking, skiing and white-water rafting.

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Bldg. 249, call 634-7094, or 0444-71-7094 from off post.

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Mon.-Fri.: 5 p.m.-midnight, Sat. and Sun.: 9 a.m.-midnight, U.S. holidays 9 a.m.-midnight.

The ACS Communication Center is equipped with computer terminals, Internet access and webcams.

Cake-cutting event kicks off Hispanic Heritage month

Left to right: Renee Citron, deputy garrison commander USAG Vicenza, Staff Sgt. Josefino Majadas, Vicenza Dental Clinic, Command Sgt. Maj. Keith Filipp, USAG Vicenza command sergeant major, Col. Virgil Williams, USAG Vicenza commander, and Master Sgt. Tamika Anderson, SETAF G1, cut a cake to kick off celebrations for Hispanic Heritage Month. Hispanic Heritage month takes place from Sept. 15 through Oct. 15. On Oct. 2, Story Hour in the post library will feature a Hispanic-theme story with Arts and Crafts for children from 11 a.m.-noon. The South of the Alps dining facility will feature Hispanic meals on Wednesdays from Sept. 27 until Oct. 11. For more details on Hispanic Heritage month events, contact Staff Sgt. Majadas at 634-7059, or Master Sgt. Tamika Anderson at 634-7914. (Photo by Spc. Justin Nieto, SETAF Public Affairs)



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Helmick pays first visit to USAG Livorno



SETAF commander, Maj. Gen. Frank G. Helmick (left) talks with Sgt. 1st Class Deljuan Hollingshead, AFSB-Livorno, during a visit and tour of USAG Livorno and its adjacent Depot. It was the general's to the base since taking command of SETAF. In addition to the tour, Helmick received a briefing from key commands based at Camp Darby. (Photo By Marino Gioia, Livorno Photo Lab)

Community Action Council

This forum is to discuss issues affecting the community. If you have an issue you wish to submit, visit the USAG Vicenza Web site at www.usag.vicenza.army.mil and click on the Community Action Council link. This link provides you the opportunity to review issues that have been previously submitted and responded to by post agencies. There is also a form available for you to submit any new issue you would like addressed. If you have questions, call 634-5222 or 0444-71-5222 from off post.

The command encourages you to identify yourself when submitting a CAC issue in order to be able to answer your concern directly.

The command also reminds the community that CAC issues submitted containing vulgar, derogatory or inflammatory language will not be addressed.

Childcare is offered during the CAC at \$4 per hour, per child, for children ages 6 weeks old through kindergarten from 8:45-11:15 a.m. Preregistration is required.

Children will be cared for in the Child Development Center, building 395. Children must be registered with Child and Youth Services Central Registration. Call 634-7219 or stop by their location in the Davis Family Readiness Center.

The next CAC will be Sept. 27 beginning at 10 a.m. in the Ederle Theater.

Issue: The CDC should re-evaluate its policy for the required early pick up of children the last Thursday of each month.

Both my spouse and I work, hence the need for our children to attend CDC. Not all units on post release Soldiers at 3 p.m. on Thursdays for family time, thus precluding my ability to pick up the

children.

CDC has hourly rates if you will be late for pickup on every other day of the month but not on this Thursday, as my spouse found out when she arrived at 4:30 p.m. to pick up the children.

Recommendation: Have hourly rates available on this day or for the price of daycare, treat it as every other day.

My spouse was told that the two hours on the last Thursday of the month was for a staff meeting. The CDC should be able to schedule this meeting differently (after work, before work, multiple meetings, etc.) or staff the CDC accordingly so that the customer is not inconvenienced. CDC should exist to support Soldiers and their families, not the other way around.

Response from Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation: The Thursday afternoon time period has historically demonstrated that the numbers of children in the centers decrease at this time.

In response to this issue raised in a previous CAC last year, the CDC initiated a discount for fees for full day patrons on this day. A discount for two hours of care is calculated based on fee categories and is subtracted from monthly payments.

There are two driving factors behind the Thursday closing.

First, the CDCs service Soldiers and their families 12 hours a day, five days a week. We are currently facing a high turnover rate as our caregivers PCS/ETS with the 70 percent of Soldiers who transitioned this summer.

Many of our staff members work full time or flexible shifts throughout the day in order for us to continue providing childcare daily from 6 a.m.-6 p.m.

Additional hours for training either before or after normal operations would be taxing

for staff, many of whom also have children of their own to care for.

Second, required overtime payments to train staff would impose serious budget impacts. The Thursday closing minimizes impact to customers and to the CDC budget, which is required to break even.

The two hours of closure on the last Thursday of each month allows for large group training that could otherwise not be conducted.

Providing hourly care for the community during this time would not allow for large group training as staff would forego training to continue to provide child care. Our comprehensive training program is essential to providing a quality program for young children and for maintaining Certification from the Department of Defense and accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

Our staff receives extensive training in all areas pertaining to caring for young children to include safety, health, child growth, and development, curriculum planning and child abuse and neglect.

Entry-level staff members are required to complete 62 hours of training within the first 18 months of hire. After completing entry-level training each staff member is required to complete 24 hours of training annually, in addition to 16 hours of installation-required training.

We understand that work schedules are disrupted by this two-hour closing. We are willing and interested in discussing our program with commanders or supervisors to facilitate support for this program. Please let us know if we can assist in any way.

Issue: I left Vicenza two weeks ago. When I cleared the Community Mail Room, I left a forwarding address. I have not received any

forwarded mail. I have been told that some of my mail has been returned to the sender as "undeliverable". We tried to contact as many of our routine correspondents as possible; however, I am sure that we missed some. Can you verify that mail is being forwarded? I know that the great outflow of Soldiers from post must be creating a large workload.

Response from the Directorate of Human Resources: Yes, the mail in question is being forwarded and the procedures for forwarding mail are as follows:

Personnel clearing the community mail facility present orders and two (each) change of address cards and DA Form 3955.

This card has the forwarding mailing address and also the date the individual desires to close the box. One copy of the card is placed in a suspense file in the CMR and one copy is given to the APO locator.

The card that is suspended in the CMR will be pulled on that date for processing. The process is to close the box, make labels to the forwarding address, and change the combination for a new customer. All mail coming to the departee's box will be forwarded for up to one year; however, in most cases, forwarding mail doesn't usually last that long. I tried to contact the customer at the phone number provided; but got an answering machine. I gave my name and e-mail address to contact me should she have any mail issues. I have not heard from her.

The CAC has changed its start time! The next CAC will be hosted at the Ederle Theater on Sept. 27 at 10 a.m.

Safety countermeasures Who knew??



Rear view of truck after
ignition/explosion

Command Safety Office
Press Release

Many people on post use "canned air" to clean their computers at work and home.

However, the driver of the vehicle below sprayed "canned air" in his truck to clean off the dust from his dashboard and overhead console.

A few minutes later, he rolled down his window, lit a cigarette, and a flash fire and explosion occurred inside the cab.

Fortunately, he was the lone occupant. He suffered first and second degree burns on his arms and was hospitalized for four days.

Findings:



This can of "Dust Off" was
bought in Vicenza's post
exchange.

These products contain 1.1 difluoroethane, which is an extremely flammable aerosol propellant. It can act as an asphyxiant if inhaled in large enough concentrations.

Recommendation:

◆ Use caution when using compressed chemicals.

◆ Read the manufacturers instructions carefully.

◆ Never spray in a confined space or near small children.

◆ Use only in well ventilated spaces.

Remember: Read labels and think Safety!

Aldo Moro gate is for vehicle traffic only, no bikes/walkers

Directorate of Emergency Services

Community Announcement

The Directorate of Emergency Services reminds the community of the rules for entering and exiting the installation by vehicle, on foot, or bicycle.

Aldo Moro Gate (Gate 1 or the Main Gate) is strictly for vehicular traffic only. Personnel are not allowed to enter or exit this gate by foot or bicycle.

All pedestrian traffic and bicycle traffic must enter through the Chapel Gate (Gate 2) or the Housing Office Gate (Gate 4) located on via Cassermette.

Gate 1 is open 24 hours a day, and Gate 4 is open Monday through Friday from 5:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Gate 2 is open 24 hours a day for pedestrian traffic. It is open for inbound vehicular traffic from 6:30-8:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Gate 2 is also open for outbound traffic from 4:30-6 p.m. Monday through Friday to accommodate exiting the installation during peak traffic hours.

For questions concerning the hours of operation for any gate or gates that are restricted for certain types of traffic, please contact the Military Police Desk Sergeant at 634-7626 or the PMO Operations Section at 634-8891 or 634-7248.

Nutrition Tip from WIC Overseas

*Need some encouragement to work out?
Get a buddy. Someone (or a pet) who is depending on
you to go for a walk can be quite convincing.*

WIC is a nutrition and supplemental food program.
Call WIC Overseas at 634-6258 for more information.

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Garrison hosts IMA-Europe staff assistance visit Sept. 12-14

By Diana Bahr

USAG Vicenza Public Affairs

Directors from U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza sections had the opportunity to meet face-to-face with their counterparts from Installation Management Agency-Europe headquarters Wednesday and Thursday.

"The purpose of the visit was for the region staff to learn, first hand, how well we are doing our job and how they can assist me and my staff," said Col. Virgil S.L. Williams, commander, USAG Vicenza. "These visits are designed to help commanders and their staff operate with continually-changing requirements.

"They also feel it's important to get out of the office and have some face time with the garrison staff. This promotes positive teamwork and fosters a good relationship between staffs," he said.

"The staff assistance visit was initiated by the IMA-EURO director, Russell B. Hall, as a result of the Region Strategic Assessment Conference," he added.

"To my knowledge, this is the first cross-functional team meeting involving division chiefs that we've had in Vicenza," said Peter F. Sun, IMA-EURO chief of staff.

So far, Sun and his team Heidelberg-based have visited the Benelux Grafenwoehr, and Heidelberg garrisons. After leaving Vicenza, they have plans for staff assistance visits to Hessen, Stuttgart and Franconia garrisons.

"While most of the directors are in weekly, if not daily, contact with their counterparts in Vicenza, the face-to-face interaction is always preferable," said Sun. "It's also a great way to talk about issues and solutions the Vicenza-based teams have come up with. Now we are able to take these solutions and see if they can be applied to problems that other garrisons may be encountering."

Twelve representatives from such directorates as Safety, Plans, Logistics, Equal Employment Opportunity, and more arrived at Caserma Ederle the evening of Sept.



Col. Virgil S.L. Williams (right) speaks to directors from Installation Management Agency-Europe headquarters and their counterparts from USAG Vicenza at the out-brief held Thursday in the Hall of Heroes. The IMA-EURO directors came to Vicenza for a staff assistance visit. (Photos by Kelli Covlin, USAG Vicenza Public Affairs office)

12. After an in-briefing in the Hall of Heroes the following morning, the teams discussed several current initiatives and took a brief tour of the post.

The most important part – and entire reason for the visit – took place Wednesday afternoon when the directors met with their Vicenza counterparts for one-on-one discussions.

"I came down two years ago, when I first took over the position," said Kathy Ahsing, chief, Plans division. The Plans, Analysis and Integration Office fall under her purview, so her time in Vicenza was spent with Phil Federle, USAG Vicenza PAIO director, and Chris Johnson, Management Analysis Branch Team leader, PAIO. "This was an opportunity understand their issues, and to ensure that they are getting the news that comes from our higher headquarters."

Most of the conversations revolved around money – and the lack of it.

"Our biggest issue is getting financial guidance for the FY07 budget," said Gary Geraets, USAG Vicenza Resource Manager.

"Absolutely," agreed Geraets' counterpart from IMA-EURO, Steven Pratt, Resource manager. "We need numbers so we can act. So far, what I'm seeing [from IMA headquarters] looks pretty good. Gary and I have very open lines of communication and he's identified

his requirements."

The IMA-EURO staff gathered Thursday morning and prepared their out-brief, which put down in black-and-white what the Vicenza staff felt were the most important issues they wanted help with. The out-brief was held in the Hall of Heroes Thursday afternoon and presented to the garrison commander.

"This visit gave me the opportunity to have face-to-face discussions with the IMA-Europe subject matter experts on a number of key issues that directly affect our garrison," said Williams.

"There were no surprises," he continued, "as most issues had already been raised to the IMA-Europe-level."



Peter Sun, chief of staff, IMA-Europe, addresses the directors during the out-briefing held Sept. 14 in the Hall of Heroes.

Army Installation Management Command to activate

Army News Service Press Release

The Army is reorganizing how it manages installations worldwide and will active the Installation Management Command in the next fiscal year.

The current installation-management structure includes four separate organizations: components of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management offices, the Installation Management Agency, the Army Environmental Center, and the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center.

The new Installation Management Command will be accountable to the chief of staff of the Army for effective garrison support of mission activities and serve as the Army's single authority and primary provider of base support services.

This initiative is part of Army

efforts reorganizing its commands and specified headquarters to obtain the most efficient command and control structures to support its Modular Force.

The Army Environmental Center as well as the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center will remain separate organizations – subordinate commands – under the IMC. The new command also will consolidate the current four IMA regions within the United States into just two – to be located at Fort Sam Houston, Texas and Fort Eustis, Va.

"This new command is the next logical step in the evolution of Army installation management," said Lt. Gen. Robert Wilson, the assistant chief of staff for Installation Management. "It will dramatically improve our ability to effectively and efficiently manage this critical function with agility to support commanders, Soldiers and their families."

The new command, most of which is currently based in Virginia and Maryland, will relocate to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, in accordance with requirements of the recently concluded Base Realignment and Closure process.

The Army staff functions will remain at the Pentagon.

Wilson also said that while the new organization will most likely be smaller than the current structure, it will be an organization that is "committed to managing personnel changes through attrition in order to minimize turbulence."

The Army's intent is that IMC will be commanded by a lieutenant general, who would also hold the position of Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management on the Army staff.

That will not occur, however, until an officer is nominated by the President and then confirmed by the Senate.

Soldiers' Theatre begins new fall season Sept. 22

Story and photos
By Laura Kreider
Outlook Staff

'The Arkansaw Bear' will open the new Soldiers' Theatre season on Caserma Ederle on Sept. 22.

The show is an endearing family story reminding the audience that with every ending there is a new beginning.

'The Arkansaw Bear', written by Aurand Harris, was originally produced at the University of Texas at Austin in 1980.

Harris is known for his classic children's work - more than 30 plays - including *Androcles and the Lion*, *The Orphan Train* and several stage adaptations. Considered the most produced playwright for family audiences in the United States, Harris died in 1996 at the age of 82.

Only one year after, in 1997, the Aurand Harris Memorial

Playwriting Award was established to honor his dedication to all aspects of professional Theatre for young audiences, and each year a new playwright is awarded a special scholarship.

"What I love about Aurand Harris is his respect for children," said Bonnie Daniels, show director, who also directed *The Orphan Train*, performed in the fall of 1999.

"He respects the important questions they have about life. He wants us, as adults, to truly listen to what children have to say. This is evident in both *The Orphan Train* and in *The Arkansaw Bear*," she continued.

Several characters perform around Tish, a young girl saddened by the approaching death of her grandfather.

She runs away to her favorite tree and makes a wish on a star.

"This is my fifth production with



Performers rehearse for the upcoming Soldiers' Theatre production of 'The Arkansaw Bear'. Shows are scheduled for Sept. 22, 23, 29, and 30 at 7:30 p.m., with a special Sunday matinee Oct. 1 at 2:30 p.m. For details or to order tickets, call Soldiers' Theatre at 634-7281.



Actors rehearse a scene from 'The Arkansaw Bear,' which will participate in the IMA-Europe's 2006 Festival of One Act Plays that takes place in Heidelberg, Germany, Oct. 6-8.

Soldiers' Theatre and it is a lot of fun," said Vicenza High School junior Rosie Malone, alias Starbright, a sage-like star who grants wishes. Malone explained that this is a different production for her, because for the entire show she sits inside a tree.

"It has been a challenge, but it has been very rewarding and I love my character Starbright. I have to work on my discipline to stay still because I can't attract the audience's attention, and then I need to have lots of energy when I come out," explained Malone.

Another unique character is played by John Mendez, who is at his first production here in Vicenza.

"I play the Mime and my role is interesting because I have to express myself without words," he said. "I have never played a mime before, never done a comedy, but it is very similar to dancing and that's what I'm trying to base it on. I'm always learning new things about acting and I like the cast. They are fun to work with, especially the children."

'The Arkansaw Bear' will

participate in the IMA-Europe's 2006 Festival of One Act Plays that will take place in Heidelberg, Germany, Oct. 6-8.

"I have been in one of the festivals before," said Malone, who was previously in the cast of *The Tolstoy Story Play*.

"It was a very great experience and I am definitely looking forward to the festival this year," she said.

Show dates and times are Sept. 22, 23, 29, and 30 at 7:30 p.m., with a special Sunday matinee Oct. 1 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$6. For details, call Soldiers' Theatre at 634-7281.



Bonnie Daniels, director for 'The Arkansaw Bear,' speaks with guests who attended the Soldiers' Theatre open house and launch for the fall production season. (Photo courtesy of MWR Marketing)

Teaching families about child safety a goal of Family Advocacy program

By Tammy Wilbur-Hoistad
Family Advocacy Program
Special to the Outlook

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children reported that, on average, 2,200 children are reported missing each day.

Parents want to know that their children are safe in their absence, but the personal safety of children can only be guaranteed if both parents and children receive effective and comprehensive child safety instructions.

Family Advocacy and the Military Police investigator, Danielle Brusch, teamed up Aug. 24 to host a community education booth to provide the community with hands-on personal safety tools and tips for their family.

During the three hours the booth was set up in the post exchange food court area, Brusch completed 44 National Child Identification Kits to help ensure the safety of the children in the Vicenza community.

Family Advocacy provided the

parents of each child who visited the community booth received free finger printing of their child, a laminated wallet card to maintain the information, and a DNA collection envelope to store at home, so if ever needed, the information could be provided to local authorities to help reunite a missing child with their family.

Family Advocacy also provided interactive and hands-on material designed for both parents and children to talk about home alone safety, personal safety to include what to do if a child is being bullied, and Internet safety.

Why is such education for parents and children important?

Research consistently shows that approximately "20 percent of online kids receive unwanted sexual solicitations" (Collier, A. 2006).

The Internet can be a great resource for school and a wonderful way for children to stay in touch with family and friends, but parents should educate themselves and their children about online safety.

For community members who booth, but are interested in the information, contact Tammy Wilbur-Hoistad at 634-7314, 0444-71-7314 from off post.

Other participants at the community booth included Parent-2-Parent and the Adolescent Substance Abuse Program, which provided drug and alcohol prevention tools for families.

Family Advocacy continues to provide education and support to the community through its upcoming classes held at Davis Family Readiness Center:

Sept. 20: Parenting, Couples Communication, from 5-6 p.m. (

Sept. 22: Family Enrichment activity, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Sept. 26: Helping Your Child Adjust to a New Community, from 5-6 p.m.

All classes are free however, advance registration is required.

If you are interested in signing up for a class, or for information about Family Advocacy, call 634-7314, 0444-1-7314 from off post.



A Military Police investigator takes the fingerprints of a child Aug. 24 during a community education event held with Family Advocacy program staff, Parent2Parent members, and the Adolescent Substance Abuse program in the food court. The event provided the community with hands-on personal safety tools and tips for their family. (Photo courtesy of FAP)



Spc. Joseph Rodriguez (left), Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Scouts, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry (Airborne), combat lifesaver, starts an intravenous drip at the end of the demonstrations, while Spc. Spencer Piland, of the same unit, sits and Max Scudeler, U. S. Army Health Clinic-Vicenza medical assistant and Lt. Col. Bryan Sleigh, HHC 173d Brigade Surgeon, right, look on.



Above: Col. Bradley Harper (center), U. S. Army Health Clinic-Vicenza commander, and Roy Visona' (right), health clinic orthopedic technician, who is a certified Italian paramedic and instructor trained to American Medical Department standards, left, clap along with a group of about 40 Italian Red Cross volunteers at the end of the American demonstration. Below: Roy Visona', health clinic orthopedic technician, prepares the 'wounded' Soldier for the demonstration.



Medical training crosses local military cultures

Story and photos by Laura Kreider
Outlook Staff

A joint symposium held in Padova Sept. 14-16 offered the opportunity to share and develop technical/medical skills to face crisis response operations during military operations, and to be ready to handle natural disasters on Italian territory.

The U.S. Army Health Clinic Vicenza staff was invited to share its expertise in the three-day event called "*Gestire l'Emergenza*", Handling Emergencies, in a renovated 13th century Benedictine Monastery dedicated to *San Giovanni di Verdara*, which became the Military Hospital of Padova in the 19th century.

"This is the second year that this seminar has been held in the Italian military community," said Col. Bradley Harper, U. S. Army Health Clinic-Vicenza commander, and a speaker at the event.

"I was fortunate to be invited to the first presentation last year, where I talked primarily about the Combat Lifesaver course."

This year was a strong interest from his Italian colleagues to get more information on the current procedures used according to the American Medical Department standards, he said.

"The most important thing to me, is the demonstration of two Infantry Soldiers, 173d Airborne Brigade, who are combat lifesavers. They have the basic equipment that any combat lifesaver would have," he said. "This is a chance to show my Italian colleagues what basic Soldier, who after a three-day course and one-day practical examination, can bring to the table," he continued.

Coordinator of the event in Padova, Col. Giacomo Mammana, who is the Padova Army

Hospital Chief, believes in the importance of sharing information.

"Today is the most important part of the three-day event, because the participants – representatives of medical personnel of all Italian Military Forces – can see the skills of U. S. Soldiers," explained Mammana. "Nowadays, the emergencies are also frequent in Europe and not only limited to the battlefield, but also in the big cities, in the train stations and big facilities."

"The course is very important because Italy is more frequently involved in international missions, and I would like the Italian Army to improve their skills. I thank Col. [Bradley] Harper for his support and time he spent to organize the demonstration. I am really grateful," he added.

The demonstration took place after the lunch break. Preparing the 'wounds' was the job of Roy Visona', health clinic orthopedic technician, and certified Italian paramedic and instructor trained to American Medical Department standards,

Ready to react as the first responder, was Spc. Joseph Rodriguez, of the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Scouts, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry (Airborne), who had to improvise all necessary CLS maneuvers. This included application of a tourniquet on a left arm amputation, an Israeli-style dressing of the lower right leg, decompression of the pneumothorax, and application of an intravenous drip.

"The combat lifesaver who was to perform the CLS skills knew nothing about the condition of the victim when he arrived," explained Visona'. "He began immediate treatment and did an excellent job."

"The demonstration served primarily so the Italian Army medical command could

physically see what a combat lifesaver is trained to do versus medical personnel in very short time and very economic cost in material. The VIPs present were very impressed by the combat lifesaver capability," Visona' said.

"This is the first time I did it in front of Italians," said Rodriguez who took his annual CLS two weeks ago.

"I wasn't aware of anything of the scenario, and that is when the training comes in. I had to react without hesitating. While training, you do it over and over until it becomes a reflex."

"First responder is one of the things that we take very seriously in the 173rd Airborne," highlighted Col. Bryan Sleigh, HHC 173rd Brigade Surgeon.

"We require that 100 percent of our Soldiers be first responder trained."

We did that prior to Operation Enduring Freedom and it paid dividends over there."

Sleigh emphasized the role of the first responder in the past Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom missions, and how the lessons learned during these missions are helpful for all medical personnel.

"We have been doing a great job in the medical community and the Army as a whole, gathering statistics, and that is precisely what we use at today's joint symposium to help show them that this stuff really works on the battlefield."

"We were invited by the Italians, they have been very gracious and very eager to get our input and opinions on tactical medicine; every year they seek us out and really want to make sure that we continue to come back," he said.

"Obviously, we all move but this has been something that historically we passed down to our successors to hopefully keep this program going," Sleigh concluded.



Spc. Joseph Rodriguez, combat lifesaver, applies a compression bandage to the lower leg of Spc. Spencer Piland, casualty, to arrest the bleeding caused by a gunshot wound.



Col. Giacomo Mammana (left), Padova Army Hospital Chief, talks to Col. Bradley Harper, U. S. Army Health Clinic-Vicenza commander at the event.

Out & About



By Dorothy Spagnuolo

Events in the Veneto region

The Piramidi shopping mall in Torri di Quartesolo will be open Sept. 24, which is a Sunday and unusual, from 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

In the Palazzo Leoni Montanari, located in the ‘Intesa’ Bank, located on *Contra’ Santa Corona* in downtown Vicenza, the exhibit ‘*Scultura lignea delle terre russe*,’ wooden sculptures from Russia, can be visited until Nov. 5.

The 60 works on show are from the Bronze age to 18th century.

Open Tuesdays-Sundays 10 a.m.-6 p.m., closed Mondays, entrance fee is 5 euro.

Guided tours of Vicenza and Bassano: Show off your adopted home to friends and family by taking a guided tour of Vicenza’s historical center and villas. Tours take place on Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning depending on the tour.

Full details and booking are in English at www.vicenzae.org clicking on *Palladio per mano* found on the right and scrolling to the English version. You will also find that there are also visits of Bassano organized. Tours can be taken through Oct. 1.

Marano Vicentino: This town, located 22 km from Vicenza, is holding its 34th Handicraft exhibition/market Sept. 21-25

The market is along *Viale Europa* and there will be more than 150 stalls.

Opening hours on Saturday 9 a.m.-noon, 2-11 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m.-11 p.m. other days in the afternoon only. Entrance fee is 4 euro.

Piazzola sul Brenta: Ute Lemper presents ‘Voyage’ in Villa Contarini, Sept. 21 at 9 p.m., performing with her will be Vana Gierig; Todd Turkisher; Gregory Jones; Mark Lambert. Tickets cost 6 euro.

Villa Contarini is where the monthly antique market is held, which will be Sept. 24. It is located east of Vicenza. The market is open sun-up to sun-down with 850 vendors.

Verona: Furniture exhibition in the Verona exhibition grounds is open to the public Sept. 24 from 9 a.m.-6:30 p.m. with an entrance fee of 20 euro.

Medieval event

The medieval walled town of Cittadella, brings to life its cultural heritage and interprets it through the reconstruction of a medieval village Sept. 23-24.

Find a market, old arts and crafts,

minstrels, dancers, medieval tavern, games and entertainment for children and adults.

The village bustles into life on Sept. 23 at 5 p.m. on *Via del Cristo*, in the courtyard and the three-story building of *Torre di Malta*, inside and outside the *Casa del Capitano* and along *Camminamento di Ronda*. The historical procession starts at 8:45 p.m.

Sept. 24 at 10 a.m. the village opens; at 11:30 a.m. mass in Latin is held in the Torresino church; at 2:30 p.m. enjoy clowns, duel between knights, falconers, and enjoyment for children; at 4:30 p.m. costumed procession through the streets of the town.

Verona street games

Verona will be like one big playground for both kids and grownups for three days, Sept. 22-24 during ‘*Tocati*,’ Your Turn.

This international street games festival will be set up in an area free of traffic and cars and will involve 29 games and numerous tournaments for teams from Italy and around the world.

Most of the events will be taking place in historical center near *Piazza delle Erbe*. There will be food and beverage stands for children and adults alike. For an idea of times, what to find and where, visit the website www.tocati.it in Italian only.

Art exhibition

The artist Andrea Mantegna, born around 1431 near Padova, is said to be one of the greatest and most famous Italian Renaissance painters.

To celebrate the fifth centennial of the his death, three art cities will celebrate the great master – Padova, Mantova and Verona.

The exhibitions present his works in the places where he lived and worked and examine his contribution to and influence on the culture of the time.

Information and reservations are available at the Web site: www.andreamantegna2006.it

Ferrara hot-air balloon festival

The city of Ferrara’s Balloon Festival welcomes international pilots to the Parco Urbano Sept. 23-24.

Visitors can take part in various competitions and the most keen can

line up for the chance to take a flight.

Around 30 hot-air balloons engage in the so-called ‘fox-hunting’ challenge, where one balloon is released in advance to the chased by all the others.

Although the program has still to be finalized, last year on both days a village was set up at 8 a.m. in the park with gastronomic stalls and stalls selling air sport equipment.

The program and directions to the park can be found in English on <http://sd2.provincia.fe.it/turismo/tea.nsf/G2HomePage?OpenNavigator>.

Ferrara is off the A13 autostrada south of Padova, before Bologna.

Giotto frescoes

In Padova, the *Capella degli Scrovegni*, Scrovegni Chapel, offers reservations-only visits to its famous cycle of Giotto frescoes.

These prized frescoes are the Euganean city’s only works by the great artist.

The paintings are visible in a display designed to protect them from the ravages of time and, most of all, humidity.

The church itself is located in full view of an ancient Roman arena, and sits in a park in the heart of the city.

Construction on the chapel began in the late 1200’s on orders from the Scrovegni family, in particular, Enrico.

The building was completed and consecrated in 1305, the year in which the frescoes are presumed to have been done.

The cycle of pictures, divided into panels, covers the entire surface of the chapel’s interior.

From these images, one can ‘read’ about the life of Mary and Christ, see the allegorical figures representing Virtues and Vices, gaze upon the Last Judgment, the Eternal Father and the Madonna and Child. There are also images of the evangelists and the fathers of the church.

Art historians consider this to be the best-preserved cycle of frescoes by Giotto and the *Capella degli Scrovegni* is used as a key point of reference for the attribution and dating of all of the artist’s works.

As Enrico Scrovegni wished, the chapel is dedicated to the Madonna.

Visits, which last 15 minutes, take place everyday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and tickets cost 12 euro Tickets are available online at www.cappelladeglisrovegni.it.

Ederle Chapel

For more information regarding any of these services or events, call the chapel at 634-7519 (0444-71-7519).

Saturday Services

4-4:30 p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation or by appointment
5 p.m.: Roman Catholic Mass

Sunday Services

9 a.m.: Roman Catholic Mass
9:30 a.m.: Community Sunday School (in the High School)
10:45 a.m.-noon: Catholic Religious Education
11 a.m.: Protestant worship

Now Showing

Caserma Ederle Theater

Sept. 19	CLOSED	7 p.m.
Sept. 20	Little Man (PG13)	7 p.m.
Wednesday is Family Night! 10% off popcorn/soda for two adults and two children		
Sept. 21	You, Me and Dupree (PG13)	7 p.m.
Sept. 22	Invincible (PG)	7 p.m.
	Clerks II (R)	9:45 p.m.
Sept. 23	Monster House (PG)	4 p.m.
	Invincible (PG)	7 p.m.
Sept. 24	Monster House (PG)	4 p.m.
	My Super Ex-Girlfriend (PG13)	7 p.m.
Sept. 25	CLOSED	
Sept. 26	CLOSED	

Camp Darby Theater

Sept. 22	Snakes on a Plane (R)	6 p.m.
Sept. 23	Little Man (PG13)	6 p.m.
Sept. 24	The Ant Bully (PG)	2 p.m.

Movie Synopsis

LITTLE MAN - *Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans*. Darryl Edwards is so eager to become a father that he mistakes a short, baby-faced thief on the lam for an abandoned toddler. He and his wife take the “baby” into their home while the thief’s partner tries to help him recover a stolen diamond.

YOU, ME AND DUPREE - *Owen Wilson, Kate Hudson*. Carl and Molly Peterson are just starting their new life together—complete with a cute house, boring neighbors, stable jobs and the routines of newlywed existence. There’s just one unfortunate hitch in their perfectly constructed new world. And his name’s Dupree. Randy Dupree, Carl’s oldest friend and perpetual bachelor, has found himself with nowhere to go after being fired.

INVINCIBLE - *Mark Wahlberg, Greg Kinnear*. When the coach of Vince Papale’s beloved hometown football team hosted an unprecedented open tryout, the public consensus was that it was a waste of time – no one good enough to play professional football was going to be found this way. Certainly no one like Papale – a down-on-his-luck, 30 year old, substitute teacher and part-time bartender who never even played college football. But against these odds, Papale made the team and soon found himself living every fan’s fantasy – moving from his cheap seats in the upper deck to standing on the field as a professional football player.

CLERKS II - *Brian Christopher O’Halloran, Jeff Anderson*. Ten years ago best friends Dante Hicks and Randal Graves were New Jersey mini-mall clerks still slacking off together in their early 20s. Now working in the fast-food universe, Dante and Randal have managed to maintain, and even hone, their in-your-face attitudes, agile skill with vulgarities and unbridled love of screwing the customers.

MONSTER HOUSE - *Steve Buscemi, Nick Cannon*. Although no adults will believe them, three children realize a neighbor’s house is really a monster. They must find a way to stop the house and save the neighborhood.

MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND - *Luke Wilson, Uma Thurman*. Everyone’s had a painful parting of the ways with a romantic partner. We pick up the pieces and move on. But for one New York guy, it’s not so easy. When he breaks up with his girlfriend, he discovers his ex is actually the reluctant superhero, G-Girl. A scorned woman, she unleashes her super powers to humiliate and torment him.

SNAKES ON A PLANE - *Samuel L. Jackson, Nathan Phillips*. A ruthless assassin unleashes a crate full of lethal snakes aboard a packed passenger jet over the Pacific Ocean in order to eliminate a witness in protective custody. The rookie pilot and frightened passengers must band together to survive.

Admission: Adults age 12 and over \$4, children \$2.
The Ederle Theatre box office opens one hour prior to show time.

Time off to get fit!

USAG Vicenza Health Promotions Office

IAW AR 600-63, Army Health Promotion, DA civilians may be authorized up to three hours of work time per week for six months. Supervisor approval is required to enroll.

Enrollment and fitness assessments will be held at the following times and locations:

In Vicenza, enrollments and fitness assessments will be held Sept. 27 in the fitness center’s racquetball court #3, from noon-4 p.m.

In Livorno, enrollment and fitness assessment will be held Sept. 29 in the fitness center from 9 a.m.- noon.

For an appointment, or more details, call the Health Promotion Office at 634-8828, or e-mail: health@setaf.army.mil.

If you’re looking for a way to lose a few pounds, free Weight Control classes are held Wednesdays from noon-1 p.m. in the Vicenza Health Clinic, classroom 26.

We focus on nutrition, habit changing techniques and more.

054-9708, or e-mail november6@msn.com.

Lutheran Services

The Ederle Chapel now offers Lutheran worship services for the Vicenza community. The Lutheran service will focus on Word and Sacrament with the Eucharist celebrated each Sunday.

Chaplain Bill Schneider, Vicenza Family Life Chaplain, will serve as the Pastor for this worshipping community. For those interested in Confirmation instruction, contact Chaplain Schneider at 634-7023 or 334-201-0783 if you have questions.

1:30 p.m.: Full Gospel Pentecostal worship and Children’s church
***4 p.m.:** Lutheran Services
6 p.m.: Contemporary worship

Jewish Services

Jewish services will be held in the apartment of Dr. and Mrs. November Sept. 22, 23 and 24.

Jewish services held on the sabbath of Sept.29 and Sept. 30. Yom Kippur is Oct. 1 and 2.

It is vital that at least 10 Jewish men be present for a minyan for each service.

Contact the November’s at 328-



A child gets ready to drill on her project supervised by Anne Rivera, Wood Working class instructor at the Art Center. The girl was participating in a special SKIES Unlimited class for children.



A young boy completes with the final painting touches the truck he created during the three-day class at the Art Center Aug. 31.



Working with wood

Story and photos by Laura Kreider
Outlook Staff

The SKIESUnlimited program supports the Child and Youth Services commitment to families by enhancing options for the development of children and youth various classes and workshops.

One such class took place at the Vicenza Art Center Aug. 29-31, and taught youngsters the basics of wood working. Each child focused on a specific project, such as a spice shelf, a toy truck or a greenhouse for little plants.

"I think that the wood working class, and the partnership between the Art Center and SKIESUnlimited, was a tremendous success," said Chris Wolff, SKIESUnlimited director.

"Everyone had a lot of fun. The children all had very creative ideas for their projects and it was amazing to see them discover how to express those ideas using wood. As the course progressed, I could see that they were realizing the limitless possibilities of the

medium that they were using. Also, as their skills progressed, so did the creativity of the details in their projects. I was amazed to see the finished products," he said.

Two brothers, Noah and Gabriel Babin, ages 6 and 11, respectively, both attended the class for the first time.

"Mostly I enjoyed assembling the pieces," explained Gabriel, who created his piece – a spice rack – as a gift for his mother.

Another student, Adriana Almodova, 10, had attended another Art Center class, 'Escape to Clay' where she created a mask, and a box and she liked both classes.

"I had a really fun time hanging out with the children and I hope to see them again next time. Parents should stay tuned for any upcoming arts and crafts classes," added Wolff.

For more information about any of the SKIESUnlimited classes, call Central Registration at 634-7219 or Chris Wolff at 634-8051. Cost of classes varies according to the type of class.



This girl uses some green acrylic and other colors to paint her greenhouse. The three-day class was offered to children from first to eighth grade and included several steps such as measuring the wooden pieces, cutting them, assembling and painting the final project.



A youth cuts a piece of wood during the initial phase of his project.

SKIES Unlimited classes

Tae Kwon Do

Children ages 5 and up can learn Tae Kwon Do from Master Kim Sung Bok, who is an 8th degree black belt.

Cost is \$55 per month and registration is ongoing. Register for classes at CYS Central Registration, bldg. 108. Call 634-7219 for details.

Guitar for Children

Guitar instruction for children is offered for electric and acoustic guitar. Youth may register at any time.

Classes are by appointment only on Wednesdays and Fridays between noon and 8 p.m. Cost is \$26 per hour or \$15 per half hour. For details call 634-7219.

Children's Dance

Youth between the ages of 3-18 can choose from Creative Dance, Pre-Ballet, Ballet, and Jazz. Classes are held in the

Villaggio Dance Studio from October through December. Cost is \$28 per student. For details call 634-7219.

Yoga for Kids

The next Yoga for Kids class is held Tuesdays from 10-10:45 a.m., Sept. 19-Oct. 24 at the Villaggio Dance studio. Call 634-7219 for details.

Culinary Arts

Students learn professional cooking techniques in a modern commercial kitchen. Classes focus on using the freshest local produce and products available, as well as offering simple, informative recipes and preparation instruction.

The class is open to middle and high school students.

Course fee is \$99. Classes are held Thursdays, from 3:30-5:30 p.m. from Oct. 12-Nov. 16.